

Hardware River TMDL Modification

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Modification Background

- Hardware River TMDL completed in 2007
- Began implementation plan in 2015
 - Informational meeting in February
 - First public meetings in March and April
- Errors in TMDL modeling discovered in late May
- VA Tech worked to correct errors
- Determined that a formal modification of the TMDL was needed

How will this impact what goes in the implementation plan?

- Changes in reductions are difficult to compare due to changes in subwatershed groupings
- Modifications made during implementation planning (land use, livestock populations) have had a far greater impact

How will this impact the implementation planning process?

- TMDL must be approved by EPA before the final public meeting for the implementation plan
- Still moving forward with steering committee meeting in late September/early October
- Hopeful that EPA review will be concluded within a few weeks of submission
- Final public meeting late fall/early winter